

Record

MINUTES
of the
TWENTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSION
of the
GA. AND FLA. CONFERENCE
of the
INDEPENDENT A. M. E. CHURCH
Held In St. Paul I. A. M. E. Church,
Suwannee Valley, Fla.
NOV. 10th-14th, 1926.

RT. REV. LEMUEL BROOKS, D. D., Presiding Bishop.

RT. REV. JOHN McDONALD, D. D. Associate Bishop.

DR. T. J. HORN, P. E., Secretary.

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FIRST DAY, MORNING SESSION

Suwannee Valley, Fla., Nov. 10, 1926

The Georgia and Florida Annual Conference of the I. A. M. E. Church convened at the above named place in St. Paul I. A. M. E. Church. The Rt. Rev. L. Brooks D. D., in the chair.

Rev. C. Brooks led in singing By and By When the Morning Comes etc. Rev. T. J. Horne, P. E., lined Hymn No. 543, Brethren We Have Met to Worship, etc. Rev. J. I. Lyons led in prayer. The Bishop lined hymn No. 26, Once More We Come Before our God. Rev. N. L. Adams read St. Matthew 5th Chapter and the 12th verse, and after singing the above lined hymn, the Bishop introduced Rev. Adams the preacher of the hour.

The Reverend arose and took for his text, Nehemiah 6th chapter and the 3rd verse. Text. I am doing a great work and I can't come down. The word preached had its designed effect in our hearts.

The Bishop led in singing, What Can Wash away my Sins, Nothing but the Blood of Jesus, and proceeded to the consecration of the Lord's supper and after the feast, the Bishop lined Hymn, And Are We Yet Alive, which was sung by the conference. While greeting each other in handshaking and after some preliminary remarks by the Rt. Rev. L. Brooks D. D., the presiding Bishop opened the Conference for business and proceeded to the organization of the Conference. On motion, the following officers was elected: Rev. Dr. T. J. Horn, Secty., Rev. C. Torrence Marshal, Rev. A. B. Colquitt, P. O. Messenger, Rev. J. I. Lyons Reporter to the Secular Press. The hour of meeting was fixed to convene 10 A. M., adjourn at 1 o'clock P. M., reassemble at 2:30 P. M. adjourn at will.

The roll was called. See Roll. And on calling the name of Rev. A. Torrance who had died since the last Conference, the Bishop called the Conference to prayer and they sang, Shall We Meet beyond the River, and it having been the request of the dead, the Bishop paid his annual dues. After which the Rt. Rev. J. N. O. McDougald, D. D., the Bishop of the second Episcopal Diocese, was introduced, and the following ladies of our church: Sisters Lula Marshall and Gertrude Roberts. The Bishop McDougald spoke of

the Great Work in the North. The Presiding Bishop led in singing, It is Well with My Soul, and responded with very befitting words and introduced Sister E. Brooks, the State President of the Woman's Mite Missionary Union and sister H. Boyd, Conference President. Doxology and Benediction by Bishop McDougald.

FIRST DAY, AFTERNOON SESSION

3 o'clock P. M. the Conference reassembled, the Rt. Rev. L. Brooks presiding. Rev. A. B. Colquitt led in the Apostle's Creed and Lord's prayer. The Bishop led in singing, Jesus Keeps Me Near the Cross, etc., and opened Conference for business.

The pastors and P. E.'s read their reports. See reports, and after some preliminary remarks by the Bishop, he then introduced the following visitors: Sister Pearl Perry and Mr. Tony Perry. Then after some remarks by Bro. J. S. Haynes, Rev. C. Brooks and N. L. Adams, the Conference adjourned to meet at 7:30 to hear the Missionary sermon by Rev. C. W. Brooks.

FIRST DAY, EVENING SESSION

7:30 P. M. Conference assembled with the congregation and after a lively prayer meeting conducted by Bro. J. S. Haynes, Rev. C. Tarrence lined Hymn No. 604. Rev. C. W. Brooks read St. John 14th chapter and the 7th verse. The Conference sang Am I a Soldier of the Cross etc.

After singing the above lined Hymn, the Bishop then introduced Rev. C. W. Brooks, the speaker of the hour. The Rev. Brooks arose and chose for his text. Revelation 19th chapter and the 1st verse, The Spirit of God Caught the Young Man up and Filled him with Power While He talked to us by the Way.

Sister Hattie Boyd led in singing Halleluiah Amen. Rev. Tarrence led in singing, My Soul Be on Thy Guard, etc. Prayer by sister H. Boyd.

The Bishop announced the door of the church open for joiners and led in singing Nearer My God to Thee etc. The committees on contingencies lifted a collection of \$3.30, after which the welcome addresses were proceeded with. In behalf of the A. M. E. Church by Prof. Boles. Bro. Geo. Henry in behalf of the M. E. Church.

On behalf of the I. A. M. E. Church Rev. A. B. Colquitt. Words of response by Bro. J. S. Haynes, followed by Rev. C. W. Brooks. After some preliminary remarks by the Bishop, Doxology and Benediction by Rev. C. W. Brooks.

SECOND DAY, MORNING SESSION

10 A. M. Conference reassembled. The Rt. Rev. L. Brooks D. D., in the chair. Rev. C. Tarrance led in singing Hymn No. 692 Did Christ Over Sinners Weep etc. Rev. J. S. Haynes led in Prayer. Rev. C. Tarrance lined Hymn No. 293. Rev. Mable read Psalm 149, Scripture lesson and after singing the above lined hymn the Bishop led in singing I Will Guide Thee with My Eye etc.

After some timely remarks by the Bishop he announced the Conference open for business, and after reading and approving the minutes of the previous day's session. The Conference Roll was called. See Roll. Rev. J. H. Parker was called in question for being absent on 1st day's meeting and reprimanded by the Bishop, after which the Bishop introduced Rev. E. N. Mabel, a transferree from the Fla. Conference to the Ga. and Fla. Conference and on motion Rev. E. N. Mable's name was placed on the roll. The Bishop then introduced Rev. J. L. Stackhouse, P. E., of the High Springs District. The pastoral report was called for. See report. Rev. J. Smith was reprimanded by the Bishop for not being present at first day's session, after which the committee on Memorials read and deferred for adoption until Sunday.

The Conference listened to some preliminary remarks from P. E., J. L. Stackhouse of the High Springs District. The P. E. spoke words of encouragement to us. Response by Dr. T. J. Horn, P. E. The Bishop led in singing Where Jesus is it is Heaven There. Doxology and Benediction by Rev. J. L. Stackhouse.

SECOND DAY, AFTERNOON SESSION

2:30 P. M. The Conference reassembled. The Rt. Rev. L. Brooks, D. D. presiding. Rev. C. W. Brooks led in singing At the Cross etc. Rev. J. Smith led in prayer. Sister H. Boyd led in singing Lift the Savior Up, after which the Bishop declared the Conference opened for business.

The different reports by the pastors were then read. The report of the Madison District was read by Rev. J. H. Parker. The Bishop then introduced Rev. L. Dickson, P. E., of the Suwannee District of the A. M. E. Church and D. Ackey, who delivered words filled with inspiration to us. Response by Dr. T. J. Horn. Doxology and Benediction by Rev. L. Dickson, P. E.

SECOND DAY, EVENING SESSION

7:30 P. M. The Conference reassembled with the congregation. After the prayer meeting conducted by Rev. C. Tarrence, Dr. Acky lined hymn No. 274. Rev. J. I. Lyons read St. James 1st chapter for Scripture lesson. After singing the above lined hymn, the Bishop sang It is Well with My Soul, and introduced the speaker of the hour in the person of Rev. J. I. Lyons.

The Rev. Lyons arose and chose for his text Matthew 11th chapter and the 29th verse. Text. Take my Yoke upon You and Learn of Me, and Ye Shall Find Rest for Your Soul. Subject. Learn To Be A Christian. Our hearts burned within us while the Man of God talked to us by the way.

Rev. J. L. Stackhouse, P. E., led in singing I Want to Be Ready. Rev. Dr. Acky lined hymn No. 223 and concluded with able words of instruction and the spirit of the Lord was felt. After which Rev. Dr. L. Dickson announced the door of the church opened for the reception of members. The committee on Contingencies with the association of Rev. Dickson lifted a collection of \$8.20 and after some very encouraging remarks by the Rev. L. Dickson, the Bishop led in singing I Am Pressing On, etc. After some preliminary remarks Doxology and Benediction by Rev. J. I. Lyons.

THIRD DAY MORNING SESSION

10 A. M. The Conference reassembled, the Rt. Rev. L. Brooks D. D. presiding. Rev. J. L. Stackhouse led in singing Come to Jesus, and lined hymn No. 604, Am I a Soldier of the Cross, etc., which was sung by the Conference. Rev. Mable led in prayer. Second hymn No. 226 by P. E. Stackhouse.

The Rt. Rev. J. N. O. McDougald D. D., read Romans 5th chapter and the 18th verse for our Scripture lesson. After singing the

above lined hymn and some timely remarks the Bishop opened the Conference for business. And on motion the minutes of the previous days' session were read and approved.

The presiding Bishop then asked the Rt. Rev. J. N. O. McDougald D. D. to take the chair and proceed with the business. Committees on 3 and 4th year study were read and approved, after which the question of the observing of the General Day of the church was raised by P. E. T. J. Horn. The Bishop then introduced Sister Lizzie Lee, Conference president of the Fla. W. M. U. and sister Lavania Woods. After some timely remarks, Doxology and Benediction by Bishop J. N. O. McDougald.

THIRD DAY, AFTERNOON SESSION

3 P. M. The Conference reassembled, Rt. Rev. J. N. O. McDougald in the chair, who lined hymn No. 208 which was sung by the Conference. Prayer by Bro. J. S. Haynes. Bishop Brooks led in singing, Brethren, Don't get Weary, etc., and declared the Conference open for business, and asked the Rt. Rev. McDougald to continue with his business.

The various reports were read, Committees on admission read, the 1st and 2nd year study was read, and on motion Rev. C. W. Brooks, C. Tarrance and E. N. Mable were passed to the 3rd year studies. After some timely remarks by Rt. Rev. J. N. O. McDougald, Sister Ellen Brooks, State President, and Sister L. Lee, president of the Florida Conference, spoke some encouraging remarks. Doxology and Benediction by Bishop L. Brooks.

THIRD DAY, EVENING SESSION

7:30 P. M. the Conference met with the congregation, Rev. C. Tarrance conducting the prayer meeting. After which sister Gertrude Roberts led in singing, I Will Not be Removed etc. Rev. J. L. Stackhouse lined hymn No. 127. Rev. J. H. Parker read the 1st Epistle of Peter, the 4th chapter for our Scripture lesson. After singing the above lined hymn the Bishop then introduced Rev. J. H. Parker, P. E. of the Madison District, the speaker of the hour.

Rev. J. H. Parker arose, singing "Love Lifted Me" etc., and chose for his text Daniel 3rd chapter and the 17th verse. Text.

The God I Serve is able to Deliver Me. Rev J. H. Parker preached and able sermon. Our hearts burned within us while he talked with us by the way. Rev. Stackhouse led in singing I Shall Know Him, etc. While singing he invited sinners to the mercy seat.

Rev. N. L. Adams led in prayer after which the Bishop announced the door of the church opened for the reception of members. The church sang Nearer My God to Thee, etc., after which the committee on contingencies raised a collection of \$3.00. After some remarks by the Bishop, he then introduced Sister Ellen Brooks, State President, Sister Hattie Boyd and Sister Lizzie Lee, Conference President. Then the state president spoke many words of inspiration to the congregation and invited the ministers and sisters to their meeting. Doxology and Benediction by Rev. J. H. Parker.

FOURTH DAY, MORNING SESSION

10 A. M. Conference reassembled, the Rt. Rev. L. Brooks D. D. presiding. Rev. C. W Brooks led in singing, We Are Marching Upward to Zion etc. He then lined hymn No. 13, Awake and Sing the Song of Moses and the Lamb, etc. He then led in prayer, and read for our Scripture lesson, Romans 2nd chapter and opened the Conference for business.

The minutes of the previous day's session were read and approved. The roll was then called, after which the Bishop called Rev. J. C. McRoy in question for being late and after hearing his excuse, Rev. McRoy was excused.

The Bishop then called for the pastors to read the list of names that paid their general funds, and after some preliminary remarks, he then introduced Sister Harris, the treasurer of the Woman's Mite Missionary Union. Then Rev. J. C. McRoy opened the meeting for the ladies.

SUNDAY

HIGH DAY IN ZION

10 A. M. S. S. conducted by Rev. J. I. Lyons. The lesson was taught by Dr. T. J. Horn and after singing, When the Roll is Called, etc., the Rt. Rev. L. Brooks D. D. was introduced and the Bishop introduced Rt. Rev. J. N. O. McDougal to review the lesson.

The Bishop J. N. O. McDougal introduced Rt. Rev. L. Brooks D. D., to address the school, and other wonderful words of encouragement. We lifted a collection of \$2.03, after which Rev. T. J. Horn P. E., moved that Rev. C. W. Brooks, Rev. C. Tarrance and Rev. J. Smith be ordained Elders under the Missionary rules, and on motion resolution stood approved. After the prayer meeting, the Rt. Rev. J. N. O. McDougal lined hymn No. 188. The Rt. Rev. L. Brooks read for our Scripture lesson St. Luke 15th chapter and the 20th verse. After singing the above lined hymn, Rt. Rev. J. N. O. McDougal introduced the Rt. Rev. L. Brooks D. D., the speaker of the hour. The Bishop arose and chose for his text the 49th chapter of Genesis and the 10th verse. Text. The Sceptre Shall not Depart from Judah nor a Lawgiver from between his feet, until Shiloh come; and unto Him shall the Gathering of the People be. The Bishop preached a wonderful sermon, which was enjoyed by all who heard him.

The following brethren were ordained Elders: Rev. C. W. Brooks, Rev. C. Torrence and Rev. J. Smith. The door of the church was opened for the reception of members. The committee on Contingencies raised a collection of \$20.00. Doxology and Benediction by Bishop Brooks.

SUNDAY

HIGH DAY IN ZION

2:30 The Conference reassembled with the congregation. Rev. C. Tarrance conducted the prayer meeting. After a lively prayer meeting, reports on memorials were read and adopted. See report. Bishop L. Brooks lined hymn, Servant of God, Well Done, etc. The Bishop J. N. O. McDougal read Proverbs 15th chapter for our Scripture lesson.

After singing the above lined hymn, Bishop L. Brooks introduced Bishop J. N. O. McDougal, the speaker of the hour. The Bishop arose and chose for his text the 2nd chapter of Paul's Letter to the Phillippians and the 8th verse, Text: And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the Cross. The Bishop with much fervency and

power delivered the words of the Lord.

The Bishop L. Brooks arose and led in singing Sleep on, etc. and lined hymn No. 200, Asleep in Jesus, etc. Prayer by Rev. S. L. Lee. The committee on Contingencies raised a collection of \$2.50. Doxology and Benediction by Bishop J. N. O. McDougal.

SUNDAY

HIGH DAY IN ZION

7:30 P. M. The Conference assembled with a large congregation. After a lively prayer meeting, conducted by Rev. E. N. Mable, Bishop J. N. O. McDougal lined hymn No. 91. Rev. J. L. Stackhouse, P. E., of the High Springs District, read for our Scripture lesson St. John 8th chapter. After singing the above lined hymn the Bishop L. Brooks arose, singing Where Jesus is, It is Heaven There, and introduced the Rev. J. L. Stackhouse, the speaker of the hour.

The Rev. Stackhouse arose and chose his text from St. John 8th chapter and the 16th verse. Text: And yet if I Judge, my Judgment is true; for I am not alone, but I and the Father that sent me. Our hearts were made to burn while he talked with us by the way. After which an invitation to sinners was given. Rev. C. Tar-rance led in prayer.

The Bishop L. Brooks then announced the door of the church opened for the reception of members and he led in singing, Nearer My God to Thee. Two came forward and joined the church.

The Committee on Contingencies raised a collection of \$8.75 and after the disciplinary questions, the Rt. Rev. J. N. O. McDougal lined hymn, Go Preach My Gospel, Saith the Lord, etc. And after some timely remarks by the Presiding Bishop, he then read the appointments. See Appointments. Doxology and Benediction by Rev. J. L. Stackhouse, P. E.

APPOINTMENTS

Rev. Dr. T. J. Horn, P. E., Valdosta District.

Rev. J. P. Parker, St. Phillips, Valdosta and Quitman, Ga.

Rev. C. W. Brooks, St. Paul, Suwannee Valley and Lake City.

Rev. C. T. Torrence, Octahatchee and Blue Springs.

Rev. Ernest Mabry, Oak Grove and Jennings.

Rev. J. I. Lyons, Transferred to S. C. Conference.

Rev. A. B. Colquitt, P. E., Madison District.

Rev. M. B. Crawford, Midway and Madison.

Rev. A. Middleton, Climax, Ga.

Rev. J. Smith, Baden and Roundtree, Ga.

Rev. S. W. Williams, New Zion, Hamburg.

Rev. J. H. Parker, Evangelist.

Rev. J. C. McRoy, Missionary.

Rev. G. W. Jones, Transferred to Fla. Conference.

Rev. N. L. Adams, Transferred to Fla. Conference.

Rev. James Davis, Missionary of Valdosta District.

The following ministers left in the hands of their respective
presiding elders. Revs. C. King, J. C. Linton, J. E. Wilson, J. H.
Green, A. J. Jones and C. Martin.

ROLL

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| Rt. Rev. L. Brooks, D. D. ----- | \$3.00 |
| T. J. Horn ----- | \$3.00 |
| J. H. Parker ----- | \$3.00 |
| J. I. Lyons ----- | \$3.00 |
| A. B. Colquitt ----- | \$3.00 |
| C. W. Brooks ----- | \$3.00 |
| J. C. McRoy ----- | \$3.00 |
| N. L. Adams ----- | \$3.00 |
| C. Torrence ----- | \$3.00 |
| J. Smith ----- | \$3.00 |
| James Davis, Sr. ----- | \$1.50 |
| S. W. Williams ----- | \$3.00 |
| J. H. Green ----- | |
| C. King ----- | |
| G. W. Jones ----- | 3.00 |
| A. J. Jones ----- | |
| J. C. Linton ----- | |
| J. E. Willson ----- | |

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| M. B. Crawford | ----- | |
| C. Martin | ----- | |
| A. Tarrance | ----- | \$3.00 |
| E. N. Mable | ----- | |

GENERAL FUNDS

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|---------------------------|-------|----------|
| St. Phillip Station | ----- | \$100.00 |
| Octahatchee | ----- | 18.00 |
| St. Paul, Suwannee Valley | ----- | 35.00 |
| Blue Springs | ----- | 4.60 |
| Oak Grove | ----- | |
| Quitman | ----- | 3.00 |
| Madison | ----- | |
| Midway | ----- | 22.00 |
| Hamburg | ----- | 13.40 |
| Climax | ----- | 20.00 |
| Baden | ----- | 8.00 |

Raised by the various pastors for all purchases during the year
\$4,328. Number of converts 82.

Hamburg, Nov. 10, 1926.

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| Ruth Robinson | ----- | 35 |
| Hally Flemings | ----- | 85 |
| Arthur Flemings | ----- | 85 |
| Nellie Solomon | ----- | 85 |
| Maggie Neal | ----- | 50 |
| Lizzy Williams | ----- | 50 |
| Will Oneal | ----- | 50 |
| Ralph Burgs | ----- | 85 |
| Alice Lee | ----- | 50 |
| Lannie Solomon | ----- | 85 |
| Major Hamilton | ----- | 85 |
| Annie Wilson | ----- | 50 |
| Jimmie Tearrea | ----- | 50 |
| Susie Woods | ----- | 50 |
| Annie Wilson | ----- | 50 |
| Eddie Dukes | ----- | 85 |

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| Mandy Spells ----- | 50 |
| Adline Solomon ----- | 50 |
| E. Solomon and wife ----- | 1.00 |

Baden, Ga., Nov. 10-13, 1926.

ST. MARY I. A. M. E. CHURCH

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| Bro. Robert Borens paid ----- | \$1.00 |
| Bro. J. B. Brunton paid ----- | 1.00 |
| Sister Sarah Robinson paid ----- | 1.50 |
| Sister Hannah Borens paid ----- | 1.00 |
| Sister Freener Baruntion paid ----- | 1.00 |
| Sister Ada Hungs paid ----- | 1.00 |
| A Friend of ours at Baden, Ga. ----- | 8.00 |

C. TORRENCE, Pastor.

J. H. PARKER, P. E.

RT. REV. L. BROOKS, D. D., Bishop.

CLIMAX, GA.

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| Sister Peggie McDonald ----- | 85 |
| Bro. Cleveland McLendon ----- | 85 |
| Sister Ellinor Barker ----- | 75 |
| Freeman Hill ----- | 75 |
| Phyllis Donaldson ----- | 50 |
| Candace Thomas ----- | 50 |
| Ida Aikens ----- | 85 |
| Zola Walker ----- | 50 |
| Elsie McLendon ----- | 50 |
| Isabella Walker ----- | 50 |
| Mary L. Woods ----- | 25 |
| Susie Leeks ----- | 25 |
| Bro. Frank McLendon ----- | 1.00 |
| Hannah McLendon ----- | 1.00 |
| Shaw Leeks ----- | 1.00 |
| Laura Leek ----- | 1.00 |
| Rena McLendon ----- | 1.50 |
| Emma McLendon ----- | 1.00 |
| Elder McLendon ----- | 1.00 |
| Mattie Lou McLendon ----- | .25 |

Suwannee Valley, Fla., Nov. 13th

To the Bishop and Members of the Georgia and Florida Annual Conference:

We your Committee on District, Circuits and Stations beg leave to read our report.

We recommend that the Stations, Circuits and Missions remain as they are.

Committee J. H. PARKER.
T. J. HORN.

To the Bishop:

We the committee on Third and Fourth Year Studies beg leave to render our report.

We have before us one Rev. J. Smith. He is not in possession of any of the books prescribed for. He has no knowledge of either Grammar or Geography, Physiology etc., but he has a fair knowledge of the Bible, so we recommend him to continue in his studies.

Your Committee,
REV. DR. T. J. HORN, Chairman.
J. I. LYONS, Secretary.

MEMOIRS

Suwannee Valley, Fla., Nov. 1926.

To the Bishop and Members of the Georgia and Florida Annual Conference.

We your committee on Memoirs beg leave to render the following report:

A tinge of sorrow and sadness creeps over our hearts as to note and comment upon the passing out of our ministerial ranks by the visitation of death of Rev. Bro. A. Torrence. Rev. Torrence, the great missionary of our church who took great delight in assisting our young brethren to carry out the work that God had assigned them to do.

He was well known by most all of our brethren and the laymen. He labored hard to organize and did organize much of our mission work that now lives both in the Georgia and Florida Conference. He answered at the roll call of many of our Annual Conferences and paid all claims assigned him. He died August 9, 1926.

While waiting at the post of duty he heard the Master calling,

Servant of God, well done,
Rest from thy loved employ;
The battle fought, the victory won,
Enter thy Master's joy.

We understand that the Rev. Torence was not a general officer of our church, but whereas he was a faithful missionary so long, be it resolved that a memorial service be held throughout the Georgia and Florida Conference.

Signed,

REV. DR. T. J. HORN, Chairman.

S. WILLIAMS and DR. C. KING, Proxy.

REPORT OF THE VALDOSTA DISTRICT

Suwannee Valley, Fla., Nov. 10, 1926.

To the Right Rev. L. Brooks, D. D., and officers and delegates of the Georgia and Florida Annual Conference. Greeting.

Grace, mercy and truth be with you and rest upon you always, Amen.

I am glad to be permitted to have my life and to be privileged to greet you in another Annual Conference session. Many have been the privations, vicissitudes heartaches and strivings against flesh and blood, but out of all the Lord hath brought us by His love.

We can continue with the poet and say, What trouble has, we have seen; what conflict has, we have passed, fightings without and fears within.

Since we assembled last, the work of the district since I have been presiding elder has been most pleasant and profitable. We have worked together as brethren in Christ Jesus. We have been helped and aided by each pastor to the best of his ability. The moral worth of our district is being strengthened daily and our people are being led to a higher height by the self-sacrificing minister of the Lord Jesus.

We are pleased to say that our people are temperate, honest and devoted to the cause of Christ. We regret however that our revival meetings have not been what we hoped for over the district.

There have been only 36 souls converted and added to the church, but we are praying that the Lord Jesus will convert and send more laborers into his vineyard.

Very truly yours,

T. J. HORN, P. E.

ST. PHILLIPS I. A. M. E. CHURCH, VALDOSTA, GA.

HONOR ROLL

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|-------------------|--------|
| Jennie Linton | \$1.00 |
| Malinda Williams | .50 |
| Clara Lyons | 10.00 |
| Tommie Linton | .50 |
| S. Bivens | 1.00 |
| Adline Harris | 10.00 |
| Mattie Green | 1.00 |
| Bruce Lee Parker | .50 |
| Mattie Lou Smith | 1.00 |
| Lula Marshall | 2.00 |
| Melvira Jones | 1.00 |
| Carrie Friday | 1.00 |
| Onarie Mitchell | 1.00 |
| Octarie Mitchell | 1.00 |
| Minnie Lee Woods | 1.00 |
| Rosie Baty | 1.00 |
| S. Banks | 5.00 |
| Rosa Jackson | 5.00 |
| L. V. Horn | 1.00 |
| Hattie Boyd | 10.00 |
| Etherlene Horn | 6.00 |
| Maggie Parker | 1.00 |
| Lizzie Stackhouse | 1.00 |
| A. Roberts | 1.00 |
| Louella Kelly | 1.00 |
| Sallie Rollins | 1.00 |
| Mary Moyer | 1.00 |
| Fannie Cox | 1.00 |

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| M. Watson | 1.00 |
| Henrietta Pace | 1.00 |
| Chest Bailey | 1.00 |
| Selie Wooden | 1.00 |
| Isabella Banks | 5.00 |
| James Jones | 1.00 |
| Clates Parker | .50 |
| Minnie Smith | 1.00 |
| John Woden | 1.00 |
| Full Members | 1.00 |

RESOLUTIONS

To the Bishop and Conference.

Whereas these good people of the St. Paul and M. E. and A. M. E., Baptist and Sonity churches, and people who are not of any church, have so royally cared for us, resolved that a standing vote of thanks be extended to them.

2. Whereas the Rt. Rev. L. Brooks, D. D., has presided over the Conference with so much dignity, and whereas he has labored so hard to keep peace and harmony, resolved that we thank him.

3. Whereas our good mission ladies' conference president, and all the officers and delegates have been with us and joined in with helping us as Moses' sister joined with him, resolved also a vote of thanks be extended to them.

T. J. HORN.

Suwannee Valley, Fla., Nov. 13th, 1926.

The Third Annual Session of the Conference, W. M. U., convened at 10 o'clock on the above date in St. Paul I. A. M. E. church with Mrs. Ellen Brooks, State President. Sister Hattie Boyd the Conference President, lined hymn 295, Page 114. Are We Yet Alive. Then Scripture lesson by the Conference President, the 9th chapter and 1st verse of St. Luke. Prayer was offered by Rev. N. L. Adams. Rev. J. I. Lyons led in singing Let Jesus lead You.

Sister Lizzie Lee was made welcome. Then the President sounded the gavel and pronounced the Union was now open for business.

The meeting being thus opened for business, the State President gave us some timely remarks, which were enjoyed by all who heard her after which minutes were read and received.

After this the various delegates read their reports, which showed a splendid work done throughout the local Unions during the past year. Also some interesting and lovely papers from the subjects shown on the Conference Program were read and discussed by the Union which was enjoyed by all.

Our good Bishop and Ministers spoke very encouragingly to the ladies relative to their work, after which the roll was called and personal dues paid. (See roll.)

There was \$41.40 raised in the meeting and \$20.70 was paid over to the Conference Committee and \$20.70 was left in the treasury. Then the following officers were elected: Sister Hattie Boyd, Conference President, Sister L. V. Horn, Vice-President, Sister Lula Marshall, Sec., Sister Minnie Lee Woods, Asst. Sec., Sister Angeline Harris, Treasurer. Then Sister Annerson led in singing By and By when the Morning Comes. Then a short talk by P. E. Stackhouse, and song following.

Then a short talk by sister Rebecca Silas, then a few remarks by P. E. T. J. Horn, then song by Rev. A. B. Colquitt, Walk Right and holy, die right and holy.

Then a short talk by P. E., J. P. Parker and others, then song by Rev. C. Torence, I want Jesus to Walk with Me, then a few remarks by J. I. Lyons.

Then song by P. E., J. L. Stackhouse, What a Friend We have in Jesus, then a few remarks by Rt. Rev. J. O. McDonald.

Then song by sister Lizzie Lee, Jesus Promise me a Home Over There then a wonderful lecture by the Rt. Rev. L. Brooks and solo by Sister Gertrude Roberson. Doxology and Benediction by the Rt. Rev. L. Brooks, D. D.

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